

HANNA AND GOMPERS HEAD COMMITTEE OF THIRTY-SIX.

Meeting Adjourns Till January After Adopting a Report on Plan and Scope—Forum to Arbitrate Disputes.

Senator Marcus A. Hanna was this afternoon elected President of the Committee of Thirty-six, which proposes to bring about industrial peace. Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, was made First Vice-President; Oscar Straus, Second Vice-President; Charles A. Moore, of the National Tool Company, was elected Treasurer, and Ralph M. Easley, Secretary.

About twenty members of the Committee appointed at last night's secret meeting were in executive session all morning in the room of the Board of Trade and Transportation, at No. 203 Broadway.

After an hour's discussion a sub-committee consisting of Oscar Straus, Lewis Nixon, Samuel Gompers and Frank B. Sargent retired to draw up this statement:

"This Committee shall be known as the Industrial Department of the National Civic Federation.

Objects of the Committee.

"The scope and province of this department shall be:

To do what may seem best to promote industrial peace.

To be helpful in establishing right relations between employers and workers.

By its good offices to endeavor to obviate and prevent strikes and lockouts.

To aid in renewing industrial relations where a rupture has occurred.

"That at all times representatives of employers and workers, organized or unorganized, should confer for the adjustment of differences or disputes before an acute stage is reached and thus avoid or minimize the number of strikes or lockouts.

"That mutual agreements as to conditions under which labor shall be performed should be encouraged, and that when agreements are made the terms thereof should be faithfully adhered to both in letter and spirit by both parties.

A Forum to Settle Disputes.

"This department, either as a whole, or a sub-committee by it appointed, shall, when requested, act as a forum to adjust and decide upon questions at issue between workers or their employ-

ers, provided in its opinion the subject is one of sufficient importance.

"This department will not consider abstract industrial problems.

"This department assumes no powers of arbitration unless such powers be conferred by both parties to a dispute."

A Committee on by-laws was named as follows: Oscar Straus, S. B. Easley, James H. Folsom, John J. Mackay, Samuel Gompers and Harry White.

The committee will report a set of by-laws to the Executive Committee at a meeting to be held about the last week in January, the date to be fixed by the Chairman.

"The work we have accomplished has been only formal and preliminary toward getting in shape for activity."

"But the results achieved have been magnificent. All avenues of commercial activity were represented at this gathering, and the capitalist and the workman sat down like brothers to cooperate toward averting the mis-

understandings that have heretofore kept them in a quasi antagonistic state.

We have accomplished the first great step forward toward real brotherhood and industrial peace."

"We have got things in working shape," said Senator Hanna. "By the end of next month we will be ready for business. We had differences, but no antagonism in our conference and we have come to a better understanding of each other. The outlook is very favorable for harmony."

THE EVENING WORLD AIDS AGED, STARVING COUPLE.

Larned and His Wife and Boy Were in Direst Need in Old Yale Club, with Millionaire Neighbors.



When an Evening World reporter called this morning at the basement door under the old Yale Club House, No. 12 East Twenty-sixth street, he was admitted to cold, cheerless rooms by a woman whose wan face told of the sufferings of starvation.

This woman was the wife of Parker Learned, sixty-three years old, who dropped in the street from the exhaustion of hunger yesterday afternoon. With tears in her eyes Mrs. Learned said:

"I am not worried about myself and boy, but I am afraid my husband will die. He has eaten so little for months and is so broken down by the strain that he may die."

But a glance around the bare rooms showed that the woman was hiding her own suffering. There was no coal for a fire, no food for Mrs. Learned and her ten-year-old boy, Louis. The woman was in thin clothing, worn but neat, and

her shoes were practically gone.

Leaving the house, The Evening World reporter hurried to the uptown office. He was notified to give Mrs. Learned \$5 immediately.

Returning with the bills, the reporter placed them on the bare kitchen table, near which Mrs. Learned sat. The poor woman, weakened by the worry and

suffering of many months, broke down entirely.

After the Evening World gave Mrs. Learned the \$5 other help reached her. Persons who would leave no names, left baskets of food. Miss O'Brien, the next-door neighbor, sent in servants with materials for a beautiful chicken dinner. A member of the Yale Club, who would leave no name, handed Mrs. Learned \$5, and with eyes dim, hurried away, for fear the night call him back and thank him.

HOME AFTER TRIP TO MEXICO IN WAGON

"COUNT" DALWIG GLAD TO BE BACK IN WEST HOBOKEN.

Drinks with Him Two Mexican Cowboys—Returned by Boat—Once Was Enough.

Herman Dalwig, who says he is a German count, and who worked as an architect until he inherited \$2000 last year, returned to his home in West Hoboken to-day from the City of Mexico, whither he had journeyed in a wagon, starting in August, 1900. With him was a man named Hirsch who had accompanied him on the quest trip. They didn't come back in the wagon, but returned by boat, leaving instructions in the City of Mexico to have the wagon shipped to West Hoboken.

Dalwig brought with him two Mexican cowboys, who were rigged out in big sombreros and savage looking shirts. Dalwig, who is about thirty-five years old, said that they had met with many vicissitudes on their trip to the Mexican capital.

His only object in making the trip, said Dalwig to-day, was to see a little of the world, as he had found life rather slow in West Hoboken. Now he is willing to rest awhile.

HOTEL BURNS IN LONG ISLAND CITY.

SCHUETZEN HOUSE IS DESTROYED BY INCENDIARY.

Hostelry Was Meeting Place of Several Organizations and Political Conventions.

The fire started back of the stairway in the rear of the hotel building, and it ran to the windows and shot out. There was no stove in the room and no electric wires that might have started the blaze, and it is believed that the fire was of incendiary origin. The burned buildings were owned by George Ehrst, the bar in the hotel building.

The hotel, casino and stables were conducted by Louis Klepe, Mr. Klepe has been away on a hunting trip and the establishment was in charge of Gus Kockelson, the head bartender. He and Mary Ebelbach, a servant, and two men occupied rooms on the second floor. The flames spread so rapidly through the first floor that their escape was cut off. They ran to the windows and shouted for help. Their cries were heard by John Thomas and August Schaefer, who live in the neighborhood and they went to a ladder, raised it to the second floor and brought the four down in safety.

NOT GUILTY IMHOFF SAYS

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Frederick Imhoff, the nineteen-year-old youth on trial here for the murder of Francesco Dura near the Empire City Race Track, took the stand in his own defense this afternoon.

In answer to his counsel's questions he said he met Dura and Franklyn Yawman on the night of the murder while he was on his way to the race track. He did not want to go with them, but Yawman insisted, and as they were going his way he finally consented.

While on the way Dura left him and Yawman and went to buy some cigars. During his absence, Imhoff said, Yawman insisted that he had a grudge against Dura and intended to shoot and rob him.

After Dura had returned they turned into the race track, Imhoff was walking ahead of the others. He said that he heard a shot and, turning, saw Dura fall on the ground. It was a bright moonlight night and he could see everything plainly. He went back and begged Yawman not to fire another shot, saying they could claim that the shooting had been accidental.

Yawman, however, paid no attention to his pleadings and fired two or three more shots at his victim. Then they saw that Dura was dead and they dragged the body into the bushes where it was found.

Police Commissioner Trainor and several policemen testified for the prosecution. They all agreed that Imhoff had charged the murder to Yawman.

BOYS' WIT SAVED HER.

Elmer Garrison, eleven, and Tony Zucca, ten, became the heroes of Hyline bougie at noon to-day.

The ice gave way on a pond where a lot of school children were skating. Pretty little Myrtle Rodgers, nine, fell in and sank out of sight.

The other children fled in panic—all but Elmer and Tony.

Sprawling down on the weakened ice, Young Garrison warned his way on his stomach to the hole in the ice.

With Zucca holding his feet firmly he reached down into the icy water, and, seizing the little girl by her flaxen braids, dragged her to the surface.

Then began the struggle. Garrison pulled with all his might. Tony, digging his toes into the ice, held fast to Garrison's feet. Slowly they dragged the child out of the water and over the dangerous ice to the shore.

Waiting a minute or two for her to get her breath, they started on the run toward home in Fifth-ninth street, near New Street avenue.

Myrtle's mother put her to bed and the boys dry their clothes by the kitchen range, all the while thanking their friends.

Then, their clothes dry, they went back to school.

A FARMERS' THEATRE.

It is to be Run on the Co-operative Plan by Haystacks.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 18.—Kansas farmers have built a co-operative theatre, which will be opened Monday night with theatre parties from the country.

HOSTESS HAS UNIQUE PLAN.

CHANCE FOR YOUNG FOLKS TO ENJOY SUNDAY.

Idea Suggested by The Evening World's Thanksgiving Dinner Exchange.

There is a chance for respectable, self-supporting young men and women living in hall rooms in New York who have no friends to whom some they can be welcomed.

It is an echo of The Evening World's Thanksgiving Dinner Exchange, a plan that was the means of beginning many pleasant friendships. The letter speaks for itself.

Thanksgiving Dinner, Evening World.

I would like to inaugurate a series of sort-of Sunday afternoon, and was at a loss how to solve the problem until Thanksgiving.

I would like about eight young people, both sexes—hall-room workers that have no place to go on Sunday, who would enjoy a comfortable home, pleasant surroundings, a few games and music.

My brother and sister play the banjo and mandolin. I would like to spend my Sunday a little more enjoyable, so ask your help through the method employed for your Thanksgiving dinners.

Mrs. —

If there are any respectable young men or women who wish to enjoy these "socials," letters addressed to the Thanksgiving Editor of The Evening World will be forwarded to the hostess that she may extend personal invitations.

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Pure white diamond, very brilliant. \$14	Steel white, fine gem, perfectly cut, brilliant. \$55	Either oval or round, center, encircled by extra large white diamonds. \$53	Diamond Ring, 14 kt. This ring is seen to be as perfect. \$72	Very brilliant pure white diamond, perfectly cut, handsome setting. \$10	Princess Ring, the ultimate in center, surrounded by 22 pure white, sharp-cut diamonds. \$35	Something new. First of its kind. 21 beautiful diamonds, 21 pure white, sharp-cut diamonds make up the outer circle. \$23	Diamond-set Locket, solid gold, genuine diamond in center, worth \$1.75
Latest new style, solid 14 kt. gold, set with 14 brilliant cut brilliants. \$3	This beautiful hoop ring, containing 50 brilliant diamonds of fine color, weighing 1 1/2 kl., a rare large. \$85	Two steel white perfect gems, 1 1/2 kl. each, set in a ring. \$35	Blue steel color diamond, of rare beauty, beautifully set. \$175	Cluster Ring, 16 genuine diamonds, 14 set in a ring, either set in a ring, or set in a ring. \$10	Three genuine rubies in center, surrounded by diamonds, full cut, a dazzling ring. \$40	Very heavy, solid 14 kt. gold, set with 14 brilliant cut brilliants. \$5	Solid 14 kt. gold, set with 14 brilliant cut brilliants. \$4.25
Magnificent Pendant or Brooch, 14 kt. gold, set with 14 brilliant cut brilliants. \$21.50	Sunburst Pendant or Brooch, 14 kt. gold, set with 14 brilliant cut brilliants. \$75	Princess Pendant or Brooch, 14 kt. gold, set with 14 brilliant cut brilliants. \$115	Pearl brooch, set in 14 kt. gold, set with 14 brilliant cut brilliants. \$5	A 2 1/2 kt. pair of Solitaire Diamond Earrings, 14 kt. gold, set with 14 brilliant cut brilliants. \$215	A pair of Solitaire Diamond Earrings, 14 kt. gold, set with 14 brilliant cut brilliants. \$70	Solid 14 and 18 Kt. Gold WEDDING RINGS.	Solid 14 and 18 Kt. Gold WEDDING RINGS.

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BREWERS PROMISE TO SUPPORT JEROME'S LAW.

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to be a public meeting. When Justice Jerome arrived at the Brewster Exchange Building he was accompanied by a number of newspaper men as usual.

The reporters were stopped at the door by the District Attorney's men, and it was a question of the right of the people to demand release.

Among the prominent officers of the State Brewers' Association present are the following: E. G. S. Miller, of Buffalo; George C. Hawley, of Albany; John Hasselbacher, of New York; H. E. Scher-mann, of Brooklyn; Charles Gunther, of New York; G. L. Thann, of C. H. Evans, of Hudson; N. V. H. B. Hathaway, of Rochester; John Bradley, of Rochester; William Hoffman, of New York; E. G. W. Worrell, of New York; William Muench, of Brooklyn; John L. Schwartz, of Buffalo; William Simon, of Buffalo; H. C. Huffel, of New York; Charles H. Rader, of New York; Edwin C. Hall, of Syracuse.

Bribery Fund Must Stop.

Once inside the secret room Justice Jerome was closely closeted with the brewers.

It was a very peculiar conference, a closed-door conference, between the newly elected District Attorney and the representatives of the liquor business.

When Justice Jerome finally came out of the secret room he made a statement to the reporters. He said:

"What I said to the brewers was substantially what I said at Rochester and I told them that I was in favor of opening saloons on Sunday from 1 P. M. to 12 P. M."

"One thing I told the brewers was this, I said that already I had learned that a fund was being raised to pass a measure through the Legislature allowing such Sunday openings."

"This I said was to be a fund for bribery, and I told the brewers that it must be stopped, that if I heard that one single dollar had been raised I would turn on the whole subject and as much against the passage of the law as I am now in favor of it."

"I said further that my office would be one where would be able to get information quickly and that when I got information of such a fund or such a bribery I would get after every man who contributed, most of all after the man who solicited and collected the money."

"Moreover, I told the brewers that if they were raised and I had a number of money being offered to committees or members, I would advocate such a course as the Illinois Law that would make the Roosevelt Police administration seem mild."

"In conclusion, I told the brewers that the men advocating the movement in favor of the passage of the new Excise Law, not only of the State, but of the law, I would suggest a fund to pass it."

Asks for Their Support.

Continuing, Justice Jerome said he told the brewers that the proposed change in the Excise Laws was a great public question, not a party question.

"I told the brewers I hoped I would have their support in passing the Sunday opening law, a law to open the front door, the side door of the saloons, from 1 o'clock in the afternoon until 12 o'clock at night," said Justice Jerome.

"Are the brewers in favor of it?"

"I thought they were, but I cannot tell what a man sitting in front of me can be thinking of."

"No, I did the talking, the brewers listened."

"I told the brewers," the District Attorney-elect added, "that I wanted to know what they thought of my proposition, that I wanted to know if they thought such a law could be enforced and whether they thought such a law would be obeyed, and they went into the executive session and doubtless they will consider the whole matter and state their opinions as a body in formal resolutions."

Purely Question of Right.

"Did you stand the matter from a business standpoint?"

"I did not," said the brewers the law was not to be argued on that plan and it was not a question of the right of the people to demand release."

"There are 200,000 voters in New York who want a drink on Sunday. I believe we have no right to say the 200,000 voters cannot get that drink, I told the brewers that it was a question of the application of the fundamental law of liberty."

"I might as well say on Sunday, but the real issue is that shall we have a law that is not honest and cannot be enforced or shall we have an honest law that can be enforced."

"I told the brewers I could exact a promise from the brewers' Association would help and enforce this law by exposing every saloonkeeper who violated it, and expelling him from their organization. This applied to the Local Breweries. The State Brewers I asked to assist me in passing the law."

Not a Party Measure.

Justice Jerome added that he believed if the matter was acted upon thoroughly and fairly, not as a party measure, such a law would be passed.

When asked what Senator Raines said at Rochester, Justice Jerome remarked:

"Mr. Raines said to me in a superior way, as if to say, 'Go ahead, little boy, and bump your head.'"

"Would you proceed against violators of such a law?" Justice Jerome was asked.

"That's for Col. Partridge to answer," was the reply. "My duty is primary."

It is secondary in such matters. Immediately following the address of Justice Jerome the brewers went into executive session. It was soon disclosed that they were practically unanimous in favor of the proposed change in the law. Resolutions were adopted accordingly favoring the passage of Justice Jerome's Sunday Opening law and pledging the brewers to secure obedience to the law.

HURLED 400 FEET.

Frozen Pipes Cause a Fatal Boiler Explosion.

(Special to The Evening World.) CUMBERLAND, Md., Dec. 18.—A boiler at Theo. Bush & Co.'s saw mill, near Grifton, exploded this morning, killing Samuel Kiger, who kindled a fire while the pipes were frozen, and damaging the mill \$200. Kiger was hurled 400 feet.

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THE COLDEST WINTER KNOWN IN 30 YEARS.

That's what weather prophets say is coming to us. So get one of our long, loose overcoats to-day. They are warm, beautiful, reliable coats, made of finest English kerseys, Oxford gray Irish friezes, imported Carr's meltons, etc. Prices are all sensationally low—about half actual values, for we are positively quitting retail business this season and are selling our entire stock of fashionable, trustworthy clothing at almost half price.

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